



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

March 24, 2006

H.R. 2107 **National Law Enforcement Officers** **Memorial Maintenance Fund Act of 2005**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources
on March 8, 2006*

H.R. 2107 would amend the United States Commemorative Coin Act of 1996 (Public Law 104-329) to authorize the Department of the Interior to enter into a cooperative agreement to transfer all funds in the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Maintenance Fund to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund, Inc. (a nonprofit corporation). Following the cooperative agreement and the transfer of funds, the corporation would be responsible for managing and maintaining the memorial, including adding names to the site, providing security, and making necessary repairs.

Currently, the National Park Service (NPS) uses the maintenance fund to carry out these functions. Balances in that fund derive from surcharges on the sale of commemorative coins in 1998 and accrued interest. A transfer of balances to the corporation would be recorded as an outlay on the federal budget. Based on information from the NPS, CBO estimates that such a transfer would increase direct spending by about \$1.3 million in fiscal year 2006.

H.R. 2107 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

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